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Applicant : Kenneth W. Batcher  
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**AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of June 1, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** Begin on page 12 of this paper.